

Ms. Kamini Shah
Supervisory Patent Examiner
Mr. Thai Phan
Patent Examiner

Dear Ms. Shah:

I am sorry we could not conference again before allowance; I am not sure how the claims turned out. Apparently the status will change shortly to "Claims allowed" and I hope to see them then.

I'm still a bit confused about the status of the 10-19-2005 IDS and the mysterious way the IDS from 10-22-2004 keeps floating to the top of the transaction history. I would like to say again that these are distinct IDS's.

As stated earlier, I would have preferred pause the process for a couple days until I got back yesterday in order to review the modified claims and understand this process better.

Thank you very much,
Chris Rode
Applicant, PRO-SE, 09/287,478

----- Original Message -----

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Sent: Thursday, June 3, 2010 12:11:43 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Re: Searches and conference regarding 09/287,478

Hello, Ms. Shah.

I spoke briefly with Mr. Phan this morning and didn't hear anything about a conference, although he did mention that my argument regarding Lawman was unpersuasive. Due to certificate problems with IE8 and the EBC I am currently not able to get into the USPTO website but I assume the rest of the IDS has been accepted? This was one of things I've been looking for...

What I have been trying to do was make at least an informal/moral case for minimal limitation to Claims 1, 10 and 15, for the obvious reason that my concessions have consequences. Would it be helpful to you for me to file a continuation / divisional so Mr. Phan can close out this application?

Unfortunately this month has been exactly the wrong time for me to plunge back into the complexities of the patent. For that I am sorry.

Best regards,
Chris Rode

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On 6/2/2010 11:38 AM, Shah, Kamini wrote:

Amending claims 1, 10, and 15 in more general wording other than what is now, will not place claims in condition for allowance. We are in position to allow claims as is now, but if you prefer to provide exact language specifically to preferred embodiment, then provide that language with showing underline in claims 1, 10, 15 as whole.

I can only delay the process till Friday since it is very old case.

Hope this help to further prosecute the case.

Kamini Shah

From: Chris Rode [mailto:csrode@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 9:55 AM
To: Shah, Kamini
Cc: Phan, Thai
Subject: Re: Searches and conference regarding 09/287,478

Hello, Ms. Shah.

I am away from "home base" at the moment and am trying to make sure I understand your email.

My thought with respect to claim 7 and claim 1 was to use more general wording about such a mechanism. Claim 7 was always meant to just apply specifically to the preferred embodiment as a simple example. Many mechanisms for account management have been used historically and I wanted to use general language in Claims 1, 10 and 15.

May I ask you to delay for another couple of days or may we have a conference call between myself, yourself and Mr. Phan?

Thank you,
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On 6/1/2010 2:41 PM, Shah, Kamini wrote:

We have looked at your informal reply as well as Equivalent NPL links and searches.

It seems like from your summary, the proposal to claim would not add any more to the core of invention (meaning the use of database to look up account directory).

With regard to additional proposal, the purpose of the simulation counter-with-timestamp mechanism described in claim 1 and combined with dependent claim 7, serves the purpose. Therefore, we are reaching in agreement that claims on appeal, as is, will be placed in for condition of allowance.

With respect to IDS- examiner will not consider those NPL that are not a valid link (IDS considered on 12/15/2005; items 1,2,3,4 and 5), however, will issue

1449 with Notice of allowance citing the relevant NPL links you provided as below:

Citation 4.1:

<http://www.nalanda.nitc.ac.in/industry/appnotes/xilinx/documents/techdocs/7436.htm>

Citation 4.2:

<http://www.xilinx.com/publications/archives/xcell/Xcell125.pdf>

Citation 4.3:

http://web.archive.org/web/20040604233742/http://www.xilinx.com/products/logicore/pci/cg_qa.htm

http://www.nalanda.nitc.ac.in/industry/appnotes/xilinx/documents/products/logicore/pci/cg_qa.htm

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Thanks again,

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Hello, Mr. Phan.

Please see attached (same pw as before).

Will you and Ms. Shah have some time for a quick conference tomorrow, or Monday?

Thank you,
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